## Focus Area 3: Prostate Cancer

**Objective 3-7** targets an overall reduction in the prostate cancer death rate to 28.2 per 100,000 males.

California's age-adjusted death rates for prostate cancer declined significantly from 26.9 per 100,000 males in 2000 to 22.4 per 100,000 in 2004 (Figure 3-7, Table 3-7). California's prostate cancer death rates are lower than the HP2010 objective of 28.2 per 100,000 males, and this objective is being achieved.

Data by race and ethnicity show that Blacks/African Americans had significantly higher age-adjusted prostate cancer death rates than any other population: 48.8 per 100,000 males in 2004. Although declining significantly these rates are still higher than the HP2010 target, and this objective has not been achieved for the African American/Black population.

The next highest prostate cancer death rates were reported for Whites (23.4 per 100,000 males in 2004), followed by Hispanics/Latinos (18.4 per 100,000 males in 2004), and Asians (10.8 per 100,000 males in 2004). Statistically significant declines in death rates were found for all three of these racial and ethnic groups, and the HP2010 objective is being achieved for all three as of 2004.

Prostate cancer dates for American Indian/Alaska Native, Pacific Islander, and Multirace males were unreliable due to the small number of events and are not reported here.

For more information on prostate cancer in California, visit the California Cancer Registry Web site at:

## http://www.ccrcal.org/

For more information on Healthy People 2010 objective 3-7, please visit:

http://www.healthypeople.gov/Document/HTML/Volume1/03Cancer.htm

and

http://www.healthypeople.gov/Document/html/tracking/od03.htm

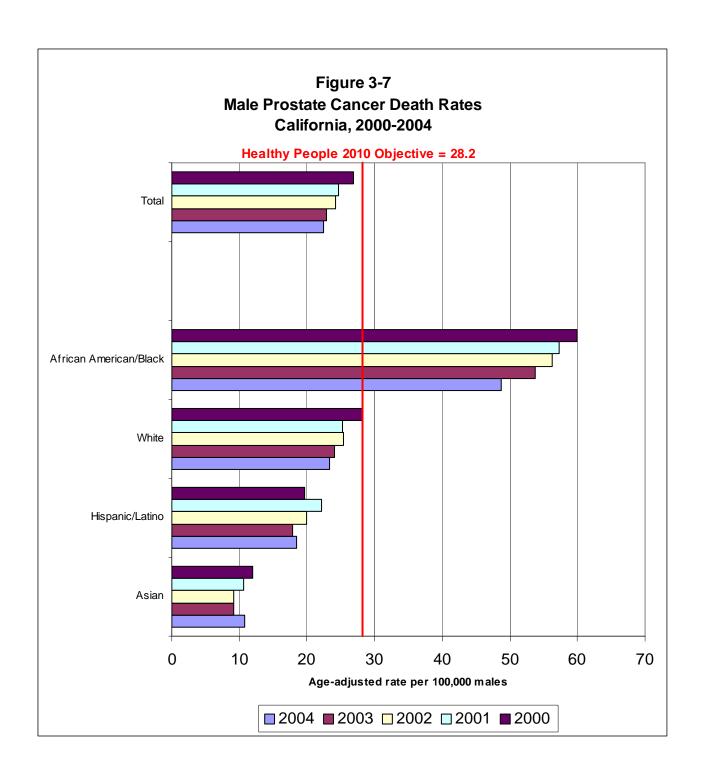


Table 3-7: Male Prostate Cancer Deaths and Death Rates, California 2000-2004

	2000		Lower	Upper	2001		Lower	Upper
Objective 3-7	N	Rate <sup>1</sup>	95% C.I.	95% C.I.	N	Rate <sup>1</sup>	95% C.I.	95% C.I.
Healthy People 2010 Target		28.2				28.2		
Statewide Total	3,008	26.9	25.9	27.9	2,936	24.6	23.7	25.5
Race-Ethnicity								
African American/Black	325	60.0	53.2	66.8	330	57.3	50.9	63.7
American Indian/Alaska Native	10	DSU			5	DSU		
Asian	120	11.9	9.7	14.1	119	10.6	8.7	12.6
Hispanic/Latino	261	19.6	17.0	22.1	328	22.1	19.6	24.6
Pacific Islander	2	DSU			6	DSU		
White	2,288	28.2	27.0	29.3	2,142	25.2	24.1	26.2
Multirace	2	DSU			5	DSU		

	2002		Lower	Upper	2003		Lower	Upper
Objective 3-7	N	Rate <sup>1</sup>	95% C.I.	95% C.I.	N	Rate <sup>1</sup>	95% C.I.	95% C.I.
Healthy People 2010 Target		28.2				28.2		
Statewide Total	3,049	24.2	23.4	25.1	3,013	22.9	22.1	23.8
Race-Ethnicity								
African American/Black	343	56.2	50.1	62.4	343	53.8	47.9	59.7
American Indian/Alaska Native	12	DSU			8	DSU		
Asian	118	9.1	7.4	10.8	125	9.1	7.5	10.8
Hispanic/Latino	317	19.9	17.6	22.2	322	17.9	15.8	19.9
Pacific Islander	9	DSU			2	DSU		
White	2,250	25.4	24.3	26.4	2,202	24.1	23.1	25.1
Multirace	0	0.0	0.0	0	8	DSU		

	2004		Lower Upper		5-year	HP2010 Objective	
Objective 3-7	N	Rate <sup>1</sup>	95% C.I.	95% C.I.	Trend	Being Achieved?	
Healthy People 2010 Target		28.2					
Statewide Total	2,974	22.4	21.6	23.2	Sig	Yes	
Race-Ethnicity							
African American/Black	311	48.8	43.2	54.4	Sig	No	
American Indian/Alaska Native	7	DSU			n/a	Unk	
Asian	155	10.8	9.1	12.6	ns	Yes	
Hispanic/Latino	348	18.4	16.4	20.4	ns	Yes	
Pacific Islander	9	DSU			n/a	Unk	
White	2,135	23.4	22.4	24.4	Sig	Yes	
Multirace	6	DSU			n/a	Unk	

SOURCES: CA Department of Health Services, Death Records, 2000-2004; CA Department of Finance, Demographic Research Unit, Population Projections by Race/Ethnicity for California and Its Counties 2000-2050, May 2004. NOTES: Prostate cancer deaths defined by ICD-10 code C61.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Rate per 100,000 males, age-adjusted using the 2000 US population standard.

Sig. - Statistically significant decrease in age-adjusted death rates from 2000 to 2004.

Sig. + Statistically significant increase in age-adjusted death rates from 2000 to 2004.

ns No significant trend as measured by linear regression analysis; n/a Not applicable (fewer than five data points)

DSU Data statistically unreliable (Relative Standard Error greater than 23 percent).